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Test Bank***

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Question	Answer	A	B
A synonym for 'proposition' is	b	condition	universal statement
What is the role of 'conditions' in theoretical explanations?	a	conditions relate the propositions to the phenomena to be explained	conditions state whether hypotheses are true or not
Consider the following two statements: (A) 'The higher one's education, the higher one's income' and (B) 'In the year 1980 men were on average higher educated than women in France'. Which statement is a proposition?	a	Statement (A)	Statement (B)
A theory does <u>not</u> ...	c	explain phenonema	predict new phenonema
A tautology is a statement which is:	a	logically true	logically false
A theory's 'information content' is made up of:	c	empirical success and truth	conditions and hypotheses
A typology is the same as:	b	a theoretical tool	a way of classifying reality
Which of the following best describes these propositions: P1: "Students who study less than 10 hours will fail the test" P2: "Students who study less than 10 hours will fail the test and the presentation"	c	P1 has higher theoretical precision and broader scope than P2.	P1 has same theoretical scope as P2, but P1 has higher theoretical precision than P2
A deeper explanation is the same as	c	Type of explanation which has a high degree of empirical success	Type of explanation that specificies the ultimate causes of social phenomena

Read carefully through the following three statements: "(1) Today, it rains in the Netherlands. (2) Today, people who are outside in the Netherlands become wet. (3) When it rains in a country, all people in that country get wet. " Which of the three statements is the "proposition"?

c

statement (1)

statement (2)

Which of the following is an example of a moderation effect?

b

Education has a strong, positive effect on happiness

The positive effect of education on happiness is stronger among men than among women

Which of the following is an example of a 'tautology'?

a

It is possible that tomorrow the crime rate differs between the US and Canada

The crime rate in Germany will increase in the next 10 years

Which of the following ingredients is not true for a relationship to be classified as causal:

c

the cause should precede the effect

the independent and dependent variable must be associated with each other

What is the advantage of using a theory schema instead of a conceptual model?

a

a theory schema clearly identifies the propositions, conditions and hypotheses

a theory schema consists of abstract symbols, which makes it possible to be more precise about the strength of the expected relationships

C	D	E	Feedback
stylized fact			See 2.2
conditions are the			
hypotheses that			
explain the			
phenomena			See 2.2
Statement (A) and			
(B)			See 2.2
evaluate			
phenonema			See 2.2
highly informative			See 2.3
theoretical			
precision and			
scope			See 2.3
a stylized fact			See 2.5
P1 has same			
theoretical			
precision as P2, but			
P1 has larger			
theoretical scope			
than P2			
Type of			
explanation in			
which one			
proposition is			
explained by			
another, more			
general,			
proposition			See 2.4

statement (3)

See 2.2

Education has a positive effect on happiness, because of higher income

See 2.7

There is a positive association between alcohol use and delinquent activities

See 2.3. By saying 'it is possible that...' nothing is excluded, which means that even if the crime rates in both countries are the same, the hypothesis is not refuted.

the relationship between the independent and dependent variable should be fully mediated

See 2.6

a theory schema can handle more complicated relationships, such as indirect effects and bidirectional effects

See 2.7



























































































